Dewan.—

The point has been noted and it will receive consideration. The previous commitments alone have been provided for as far as funds permitted. We have provided Rs. 40,000 in the budget and in the distribution of this grant, the department may consider the claim of Hiriyur.

Mr. G. Paramasiviah.—

Is it not the object of the Government to encourage charitable purposes in the direction of the spread of education and render help to private persons who may come forward with contributions?

Dewan.—

The answer is obvious. We have spent five lakhs of rupees for hostels. As far as funds permit, Government will allot grants.

Mr. Sreenivasiengar.—

Will not the Government consider it desirable to invest the contribution received from the people in the Savings Bank instead of keeping it in the Treasury, so that it may fetch some interest?

Dewan.—

There is no objection to do this if necessary.

Mr. Paramasiviah.—

We only want grants from Government so that the object of the donors may be fulfilled. The question of interest is no consideration.

MESSRS. S. VIRACHADRAPPA AND SATI HALAPPA (Chitaldrug).—

Q.—**36.** Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(1) What is the total amount raised towards the shares issued in connection with the C. C. Railway?

(2) How many shares were taken up by the public?

(3) Of the above, how many shares have been fully paid up?

(4) How much amount has yet to be recovered and why has the same not yet been recovered?

(5) Was any portion of the profit from the railway paid to the bond-holders, in addition to the interest in accordance with the assurance held out to them and if not done, why not?

(6) Why should not the railway cess be utilised to push on railway extension during the current year?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.—

A.—(1) Rs. 1,60,400.

(2) 3,000 shares of Rs. 1,00 each, 175 shares of Rs. 25 each and 143 of Rs. 6¼ each.

(3) 766 of Rs. 100 each, 102 of Rs. 25 each and 128 of Rs. 6¼ each.

(4) Rs. 2,25,318-12-0. As the District Board were unable to recover the balance from the subscribers, Government were pleased to treat, in their Order No. R. S. 498-503—Ry. F. 88-21-22, dated 12th August 1921, the Railway as a State Line.

5) No profit was due nor paid to the bond-holders.

(6) Will be utilised when a project for extension is sanctioned.

Supplementary Questions.

Mr. Virabhadrappa.—

With reference to reply to item No. (5) will the Government be pleased to state whether they have not failed to fulfill the assurance held out to the bond-holders of the C. C. Railway that they would give them a share in the profits earned by the Railway, in addition to the guaranteed interest?

First Member.—

Government are not getting any profit from this Railway. At this stage, it was represented that some of the share-holders are not even given bonds though payments were made by them and that they do not know as a matter of fact whether the monies paid by them have been duly credited and petitions sent by them in this behalf have not been of any use. It was also mentioned that money is not being collected in some of the cases even though the people are ready to pay it.

Dewan.—

We will make enquiries in the matter.

Mr. Mallappa.—

Will the Government be pleased to state why the C. C. Railway is not extended even though railway cess

is being collected with the sole object of extending the line, and how the amount now collected is proposed to be utilised and whether it is not right to stop the collection of the cess if it is not intended to extend the line?

Dewan.—

The Railway will be extended as soon as it is possible to do so. The money now collected is at the credit of the District Board and will be utilised when the question of the extension scheme comes up.

MR. CHENNABASAPPA (Davangere Taluk).—

Q.—**37.** Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) (1) What is the total number of applications for admission to the Medical College at Bangalore this year?

(2) What examinations have the above applicants passed?

(3) Of these, were any admitted to the College who had passed the First Year B.A.?

(4) If none was admitted, what is the reason therefor?

(*b*) (1) Who are the members of the Committee appointed to select students for admission to the College?

(2) Under what rules is the selection of candidates made?

(3) Is it a fact that in selecting candidates those of inferior qualification have been selected in preference to those having superior qualifications? Particulars of such candidates with the reason for selecting them may be given.

(*c*) What are the names of candidates who have been awarded scholarships, to what community do they belong and what is the income of their parents or guardians?

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—

A.—(*a*) (1) 120.

(2) B.. Sc., B.A., 1st Year B.A. course as well as certificate Examination and 2nd Year B.A. course.

(3) No.

(4) Because there were 44 graduates for 20 seats available. An exception was however made in the case of a lady candidate who had passed the Madras